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July Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 829 million pounds of milk during July, up 8.2 percent from July 2013, according to the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 68.4 pounds, up 3.6 pounds from July 2013. The dairy herd was estimated at 391,000 head for July, up 10,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during July totaled 16.4 billion pounds, up 4.0 percent from July 2013. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 61.6 pounds in July, 1.9 pounds above July 2013. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.58 million head, 56,000 head more than July 2013, and 6,000 head more than June 2014.

Milk production, July

Commodity	Michigan			23 Major States		
	2012	2013	2014	2012	2013	2014
Cows..... 1,000 Hd	376	381	391	8,495	8,522	8,578
Daily rate per cow..... Pounds	64.0	64.8	68.4	58.9	59.7	61.6
Production..... Mil lbs	746	766	829	15,509	15,762	16,389